

UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
TOWNSHIP BUILDING, OLD ZIONSVILLE, PA 18068  
JULY 16, 2015 AT 7:30 P.M.  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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**ATTENDANCE:** Supervisors; George DeVault, Daniel Mohr, Robert Sentner; Township Manager, Daniel DeLong; Asst. Township Manager, Timothy Haas; Solicitor, Marc Fisher

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- 1.) This meeting is being recorded principally to aid in the preparation of Minutes and for such other purposes as the Board sees fit. For that reason, will each person wanting to give any comments during this meeting, please state your name for the record and address the Board of Supervisors.
- 2.) PennDOT representatives will hold a meeting on Wednesday, July 22, at the Upper Milford Township auditorium to display plans for the Norfolk Southern Railway bridge project along Chestnut St. The public is encouraged to view the plans and ask questions between the hours of 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:**

July 2, 2015 Workshop & Regular Meeting Minutes

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to approve the July 2, 2015 Workshop & Regular meeting minutes. Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

**GENERAL FUND:**

PLGIT XXXX7096 – Check No's **14873** to **14907** in the amount of **\$28,873.67**

**PAYROLL FUND:**

PLGIT XXXX7015 – Check No. **7317** in the amount of **\$144.84**

**STREETLIGHT FUND:**

PLGIT XXXX7125 – Check No's **1253** to **1254** in the amount of **\$2,221.58**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BANK TRANSFERS:**

Transfer #2015-035 to 2015-036

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Mohr made the motion to pay the bills as read and acknowledge the bank transfers. Supervisor Sentner seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1.) Announcement:

In the near future PPL contractors will begin the construction of new facilities and upgrading existing facilities along Buckeye Road from Brookside Road to Tank Farm Road, then North on Tank Farm Road to Raymond Court and Colebrook Avenue, crossing Chestnut Street and following Ramer Road into Emmaus. This work is being done to provide a second major feed line to Emmaus.

Conversations ensued regarding the upkeep of work from past subcontractors, locations of the proposed work, and materials to be used. Most of the work will be located within PennDOT Right of Ways. PPL has received permits from the Lehigh Conservation District.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1.) BOS Approval/Authorization for the Assistant Township Manager and two (2) Public Works employees to attend the Lehigh County Association of Township Officials (LCATO) Summer Convention on August 7, 2015.
  - a. Letter from LCATO Secretary, Ms. Janice Meyers.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to direct staff to send whoever they like to the Lehigh County Association of Township Officials. Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Solicitor Fisher indicated no report.

**DEP MODULES / SEWAGE PLANNING:** None

**PLANNING COMMISSION – OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1.) Revised Road Names for the Fields at Indian Creek.
  - a. Letter from Planning Coordinator, Brian Miller.

Planning Coordinator, Miller updated the Board that Lower Macungie Township may have a conflict with "Sunrise Court," as it has already has a "Sunrise Avenue." They are looking into it to see if it is acceptable. If not, it will be changed.

The Board was in approval to accept the revised road names for the Fields at Indian Creek to be forwarded to the US Postal Service and the Lehigh County Emergency Communication for acceptance.

**PLANNING COMMISSION – NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1.) Revised Time Extension for Kohler Tract Minor Subdivision.
  - a. Letter from Planning Coordinator, Brian Miller.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to grant the extension per Brian's July 16, 2015 letter. Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

**SUBDIVISIONS – IMPROVEMENTS:**

- 1.) Crossings at Indian Creek Land Development Extension Request for Completion of Improvements.
  - a. Correspondence from Gregory Harris, dated July 7, 2015.

**MOTION:**

Supervisor Sentner made the motion to approve the request contingent upon continued compliance with the improvements agreement, continued security and payment of any outstanding fees, if any. Supervisor Mohr seconded the motion. Any questions or comments, all were in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

**OTHER ISSUES:**

**REPORTS:**

Emmaus Library: None

Township Emergency Management Coordinator: None

Fire Department: None

Recreation Commission: None

Fire Company Steering Committee:

1.) Fire Company Month of June Report.

Assistant Manager, Haas summarized both Fire Department's call report from the month of June. Western District had seven (7) calls, two (2) of which were mutual aid. Citizens' Fire Company had 16 calls, one (1) of which was mutual aid. Haas also updated the Board on the status of Solicitation permits. Per Resident, Phil Casey's request, all active Solicitation license holders within the Township are now posted on the Township's website.

Supervisor Sentner mentioned to the Board that Ms. Lynn Sallash attended her first Fire Company Steering Committee meeting as the newly appointed Citizen at Large. It was a successful meeting and he is looking forward to moving forward with her.

Supervisors:

**Robert Sentner –** Stressed that the intention of the Board is not to merge the two (2) Fire Companies. He will be attending the Fire Company meetings to reiterate that the creation of the Fire Company Steering Committee is not to merge the Fire Companies.

He wrote a letter as a resident of the Township (not as a Supervisor) in response to the Lehigh Valley Regional Freight Plan. He is not happy at the speed of which things are being done. He would like to start a new group (possibly comprised of PennDOT, concerned citizens, planners, etc.) that would deal solely with traffic and roadway concerns. He later reneged this request.

Discussions ensued regarding the system and process of planned developments for roadways and transportation logistics. Manager, DeLong does not believe that creating a new committee would be beneficial, but people need to begin working within the system and begin attending the meetings that are held to discuss such issues. There's not enough money to get everything done. Supervisor Sentner agreed. Resident, Francis Caputo also agreed and stressed to the Board and the audience that people need to address these issues with local legislation. Supervisor Mohr expressed his frustration in the lack of freight being moved by train.

**Daniel Mohr –** Shared how he saw tire tread along Vera Cruz Road North. He wondered when it will be removed. Public Works Foreman, Brent

Fegley explained to Supervisor Mohr that PennDOT crews have specific responsibilities. The PennDOT crew responsible for road debris will be responsible for removing the tire tread. No other PennDOT crew can remove the tire tread in the meantime.

Supervisor Mohr also advertised the Vera Cruz Homecoming Event, which will be on Sunday, August 16, 2015. The event will feature additional food options than in years past. Unfortunately, there will not be any flybys by the Blue Angels.

**George DeVault** – Thanked everyone for coming.

Township Manager:

**Dan DeLong** - Indicated no report.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:11 P.M.

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George D. DeVault, Chairman

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Date

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Timothy A. Haas, Asst. Twp. Manager/Secretary